become unfit for use within a year or two owing to rough use. So, it was not the period, so much as the condition of the vehicle, that was more important.

The FIRST MEMBER (Rajamantrapravina N. Madhava Rau) stated that if a bus was badly used and was not in proper condition it might be condemned on inspection, even if the five-year period was not over. But if, on the other hand, a bus was kept in good condition, the period might be extended as a special case, even after five years.

The House rose for the day at 5 p.m. to meet again at 12 noon on Monday the 23rd October 1939.

SEVENTH DAY.

Monday, 23rd October 1939.

The House reassembled at the Jagan Mohan Palace Pavilion on Monday, 23rd October 1939, at 12 of the clock, Mr. President (*Amin-ul-Mulk.* Sir Mirza M. Ismail, K.C.I.E., O.B.E., Dewan) in the Chair.

Extra Railway Facilities between Mysore and Brindavan.

Mr. N. SONNAPPA brought to notice the very great inconvenience caused to the railway passengers who had gone on a visit to Brindavan at Krishnaraja Sagara on the 21st October 1939, by the return train not leaving the station till midnight, though the tickets had been issued by 8 P.M. Several visitors were detained at the place unexpectedly, had to eat in the local hotel, and sleep on the platform in biting cold, without bedding or covering, and return to Mysore only the next morning.

The GENERAL MANAGER, MYSORE STATE RAILWAY (Mr. Y. K. Ramachandra Rau) regretted the inconvenience caused to the passengers on the day in question and promised to enquire into the matter.

Mr. D. VENKATARAMANAPPA complained that there was similar inconvenience caused to a large number of women and children during the previous year also.

Mr. L. VEMA REDDY mentioned that over-crowding was very common in the trains running between Mysore and Krishnaraja Sagara and that it should be avoided by attaching a few more carriages to every train.

Mr. B. L. BYANNA also made a similar suggestion.

Mr. Y. K. RAMACHANDRA RAU replied that additional carriages were being attached whenever there was a rush.

The PRESIDENT agreed that during the Birthday and Dasara Seasons, trains must be running up and down once every half-an-hour, and that over-crowding also should be avoided as far as possible.

Mr. CHICKABACHA REDDY complained that there were several cases of pick-pocketing in trains, railway platforms and Exhibition Grounds, more particularly in the current season, and that better policing was required as a preventive measure.

The SECOND MEMBER (Mr. K. V. Anantaraman) said that the police would be instructed to improve matters as far as possible.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS—*contd.*

Drinking Water Wells for Banajaras.

Q.—56. **Mr. JATHARE NAIK** (Minorities).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of Banajara *tandas* in the State;

(*b*) the number among them that have been provided with drinking water wells (i) by Government and (ii) by the District Boards (information regarding the *tandas* may kindly be given);

(*c*) (i) the number that have not got drinking water wells, and (ii) the place from which the people are fetching water?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT (Mr. C. Subrahmanya Aiyar).**—

(*a*)—

District	*Number*
Bangalore ...	... 61
Kolar ...	... 17
Tumkur ...	... 95
Mysore ...	... 6
Hassan ...	... 22
Shimoga ...	... 137
Kadur ...	... 29
Chitaldrug ..	... 108
Mandya ...	... ...
Total	... 475

(*b*) (i) and (ii)—

District	*By Government*	*By District Board*
Bangalore ...	5	1
Kolar ...	2	3
Tumkur ...	13	...
Mysore ...	1	...
Hassan ...	5	1
Shimoga ...	36	2
Kadur ...	10	...
Chitaldrug ...	21	13
Mandya ...	...	...
Total ...	93	20

Vide statement appended (Appendix)

(*c*) (i)—

District	*Number*
Bangalore ...	55
Kolar ...	12
Tumkur ...	82
Mysore ...	5
Hassan ...	16
Shimoga ...	99
Kadur ...	19
Chitaldrug ...	74
Mandya ...	..
Total ...	362

(ii) In *tandas* where separate wells have not been provided either by Government or District Board, the people are fetching water either from private wells sunk by them, or common wells, tanks, hondas, channels, streams, rivers and wells, sunk in tank-beds nearby.

Mr. JATHARE NAIK.—I am afraid the information furnished in (*a*) about Hassan is not correct. Because I know that in Arsikere Taluk alone there are 26 *tandas*.

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—That is the figure received from the department.

Mr. JATHARE NAIK.—Out of 475 *tandas* only 113 have been provided with drinking water facilities. When will the remaining *tandas* be taken up?

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—The number is being added to every year.

Mr. JATHARE NAIK.—It has been stated in the appendix to answer (*b*) that information about provision of drinking water wells by district boards has not been received in respect of three districts. When will it be received?

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—There are no district board wells in those districts.

Mr. JATHARE NAIK.—Is it true that there is a district board well in Thimmappayyanahalli, Chellakere Taluk?

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—That is our information.

Mr. JATHARE NAIK.—Are the Government aware that there is no well at all at that place?

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—If the member is so sure of it, we shall make enquiries.

Middle Schools for Girls.

Q.—59. **Srimathi R. KALYANAMMA (Women's Interest).**—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it is not a fact that the number of school teachers in girls' schools is not enough, considering the number of students in each class;

(*b*) if so, the arrangements that are being made to enhance the number of teachers?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT (Mr. J. Appaji Gowda).**—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Local Education Authorities have to consider the matter and send proposals to the Department of Public Instruction.